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Wanted-Agents in All Parts of the Country. This office has had several photographs taken of the Washington monument as it stands o-day complete, and these reproduced by to-day complete, and these reproduced by the new and unarvelous photo-collotype process, giving pictures more durable than photographs, and in tguthfulness superior in expression and shading to either the en-graving, the lithograph, or the woodcut—an exquisite ornament for the library, parior, or other. These photo-plate pictures are in two stees—the small, or cabinet size, malled to any uldress for 15 cents each, gives the monument with the bureau of engraving and printing in the background; while the large, or folio size, 11 by 14 linenes (mailed to any address for 30 cents), gives the monument, the bureau of en-graving, the agricultural department, the Smithsonian institution, and the capitol all Smithsonian institution, and the capatol air clearly and exquisitely pictured as the camera gives it. For each subscription for the Weekly of \$1 two of the small or one of the large pictures, as preferred, will be muiled postpaid. To agents and solicitors, to id them in their work of raising clubs for The Weskilv Resussican, copies will be sent by mail on receipt of the sums named below: Five small pictures for 45 cents, ten for 80 cents, and twenty-five for \$2.80; five large ures for 90 cents; ten for \$1,60, and twenty-

Among the many changes noted by the democrats who have not been in Washington since their party was last in power was the improvement of the capital city. This is also charged to the account of the republican party.

"OLD saddlebags" and the "noblest Roman of them all" have been carefully laid back upon the shelf by the incoming administration. Well, they will have this consolation, it will only be four before their whole party will be stowed away with them as a worn out,

INDIANA did not secure a cabinet prize. The work of keeping that state in the democratic column is to be left to the democratic legislature, which is now busy gerrymandering it so that the majority of the republicans at the next election will have to be extremely large to secure any

THE selection of two practical politicians for members of the cabinet from New York indicates that the federal patronage of the Empire state will not be neglected under this reform administration. The democrats are not going to trust to luck and the mistakes of their opponents to carry that state next time.

GEN. ROSECHANS can now see the contempt the country has for his mean-spirited and narrow-minded hostility to Gen. Grant. There is general rejoicing over the restoration of Gen. Grant to the army, and there seems to be the same general satisfaction felt over the restoration of Gen. Rosecrans to private citizen-

MR. CARLISLE was elected speaker of the forty-eighth congress because of the numerical strength of the free trade wing of his party. He will be re-elected speaker in the forty-ninth congress because he has shown himself an efficient presiding officer. He has won the respect his personal and political opponents by the fairness of his rulings and his fidelity to the trust imposed upon

Jerr Davis could not go into the cabinet on account of his political disabilities, but the south ought to be satisfied with the selection of his carnest friend and advocate, Lucius Q. C. Lamar. The man who recently declared in the senate that Jeff Davis was not a traitor, and that the leaders of the rebellion were not guilty of treason, will, as secretary of the interior, be the court of last resort in appeals on pension cases of union soldiers.

NEW YORK is interested in a new test of human endurance in the shape of a six days' roller-skating contest now in progress at Madison Square pavilion At the outset some wiscacres doubted if the distance traversod by Hazael Fitzgerald, and other go-as-you-please pedestrians would be greatly exceeded. But it is already apparent that their feats will be utterly laid in the shade by the There is no doubt that the skaters. leaders will cover over 1,000 miles by midnight of this day. One of the contestants named Walton, who is a more boy, covered 243 miles on the first day, a performance that would have deemed beyond human capacity a few years since.

Wan between England and Russia is among the impending possibilities of the near future. Russia has pursued her steady course toward the gateways of northwestern India until her soldiers already tread the soil of Afghanistan and are now but ninety-five miles from Herat, the capital and key of the country. English inquiry and remonstrance are met with smooth assurance that nothing unfriendly to her rights is dreamed of, but at the same time Russia refuses to withdraw her troops, and England is preparing to concentrate a large force at Quettah, on the Afghan border. Diplomacy may for a time postpone the struggle that is now threatening, and for the sake of hu-manity it is to be hoped such will be the case. With Europe au armed camp it is not likely war could take place between England and Russia without the other powers becoming embroiled in the droad strife.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Post, had a leading editorial yesterday on Mr. Cleveland's cabinet, in which it dispensed lavish words of praise to every member except one. The only member of the new cabinet who was not mentioned, and whose name was conspicuous by its absence from the Post's article, was Col. W. Vilas, postmaster general. By a singular coincidence, Col. Vilas is the only member of the cabinet who served in the union army-the only representative of the war democracy. To this honor is now added that of being conspicuously omitted by his party organ at the national capital from its list of Mr Claveland's advisors. Does the Post oxpactite readers to find consolstion for

fact that Mr. Lamar, who was in the confederate army, came in for such a ion's share of praise? Is the Post secking to ingratiate itself with the sentiment which on Pennsylvania avenue on Wednesday caused Gen. Fitzhugh Lee to receive more applause than all the repre sentatives of the union army combined

The Worst on Record. There is one matter of general current omment concerning which there is no controversy in the press of the land, and that is the position to be given the forty eighth congress when compared with those that have gone before. With general accord it is pronounced the most barren and inefficient congress on record, and the blame is rightly placed upon the abso-Into incapacity of the majority in the house of representatives to agree upon any line of united action. The senate working under its simpler rules accomplished a fair amount of work, and probably would have done more had the prospect of co-operation upon the part of the house not been so hopeless.

And yet the house had abundant opportunity to make a deep impression upon the country if it had been able to rise to the plane of the really great questions before it. Had it proceeded intelligently and in a spirit of liberality to rebuild the navy, provide for the construction of modern artillery, and caused our crary dilapidated fortifications to be restored to a condition of efficiency, it would have won the favor of the people. In addition when it is considered that it was in its power to enact the bankruptcy law demanded by all the business interests of the country, to settle the vexatious question of providing for a satisfactory method of counting the electoral vote, to stop the senseless coinage of silver that threatens to bring about a panie in the commercial world, to dissipate the dangerous cloud of illiteracy in the southern states by passing the Blair educational bill, to extend justice to suffering litigauts by providing relief for a supreme court that is overwhelmod by a mass of cases utterly beyond its capacity to dispose of, and a number of almost equally important measures that will readily be recalled, it will be seen that opportunities for very im-portant legislation were not only not lacking, but were really unusually numerous

and pressing. In no small measure this utter failure of the democratic house must be attributed to their lack of experience in governing rather than to an absolutely vicious indisposition to enact beneficial legisla-They have so long played the role tion. of an irresponsible minority with nothing to do but to oppose measures originated by the republican party, that when suddealy thrust into power and responsibility they found themselves so much under the influence of the chronic babit of opposition that united sensible action was impossible. From the day of their election it was obvious that the democratic majority would be hopelessly divided upon the tariff issue, but no one could have apprehended that the same lack of unity would crop up to defeat almost every important measure proposed for their consideration, but so it was. Only upon a contested election case, or a public building grab, could this singularly impotent majority be drawn to take united action. To its inharmony and its incapacity is due the hearty contempt that follows the body after its dissolution had been bulled with a joyful chorus of relief.

IT is fortunate for President Cleveland that a republican and not a democratic senate passes upon his nominations. If he has a disposition to aid the cause of civil service by retaining competent officials and appointing capable men to office he will find in the majority of the present senate strong support. It would be otherwise were his own party in the ascendency in that body. They would be able to embarrass him, and they might succeed in thwarting all his attempts to run his administration upon business principles. The republican sonators have no concern in the disappointment of the crowd of hungry applicants for office who will besiege the president for recognition during the next few months. If he is in cornest in his public utterances upon the civil service it were well that he bore this fact in mind. He is under no special obligation to the leading spirits of his party for his clevation to his present office. They did not take him as a candidate because they wanted him, but because of his availability. He is not allied to their bourbonism, and he can only become identified with its non-progressive spirit by heeding the advice of those who would use him for their own advancement. He has a better opportunity than any of his prodecessors to rise higher than the low plane of his party, and if he has the will he will not lack support from the country

at large. By the way of Chicago comes the news that Gen. John C. Black, of Illinois, is to take charge of the pension office. Against the appointee nothing can be said. the appointment it may be observed that the present commissioner was appointed by President Arthur in strict obs of the true spirit of the civil service law, and his retention would have been a shining exemplification of Mr. Cleveland's Spartan firmness in living up to the civil service professions of his inaugural address. It may also be observed that it takes Black out of Mr. Morrison's way as being one upon whom the Illinois legislators might be tempted to unite for the senstorial nomination.

## AMUSEMENTS.

THE MATINERS TO-DAY. "Michael Strogoff," which has drawn s ell during the past week will be given at th matince at Albaugh's Opera House. "The irish ministrel," with the talefited young comedian, W. J. Scanlan, will be given a

"A DUNCH OF KEYS." A week of laughter will be inaugurated at Al augh's Opera House next Monday evening when the popular Sparks Company will preent their exquisitely humorous satire on hote "A Bunch of Koya." Last season this pice played one of the largest engagements eve chronicled in Washington, and this was do prite as much to the superiority of the co my as to the meritorious character of the grand opera house during this engagement and, as a majority of the public are aware of this fact, good seats will be scarce unless secured well in advance. The sale is not

progressing. Mr. M. B. Curtis, the hero of that wonderfo success, "Sam'l of Posen," will appear at 'ord's Opera House next week in the seque o it, "spot Cash." This piece is said to be fully equal to its predecessor, and Mr. Curti makes the very most of his material. His droif assurance and character creation are brought into full play in the new comedy, which has fresh nits, original fun, and ludicrous situations galore

The Old and New Cabinets. The President yesterday accepted the resignations of Mr. Arthur's cabinet and signed the commissions of the new cabinot pectits readers to find consolation for officers. They will probably suter upon the omission of Col. Vilas's name in the the discharge of their duties to-day.

DRAWATIC PRUILIETON.

The adjournment of congress means Washington that the theatrical season is protty well over. No first class attractions are in re-serve at either house, although a few good ones will be seen at both before the current ones will be seen at both before the curtains are finally rung down for the season. The probabilities of any grand opera, either Italian or German, are not great, I think. Had it not been for the chance coming of the Milan troups, Washington would for the first time in many years have had to struggle along without grand opera. As it is, there has been none of the recognised "great artists" here this season, either in concert or opera. This, I suppose, is due to the hard lines, but it was a managerial mistake. toes, but it was a managerial mistake. to feel the pinch of poverty. The prospective change of administration did not keep the really great attractions of established reputa-tions from drawing splendid analysioses.

There is no accounting for tastes. The Bun-borne of Mr. W. H. Barnabee, by many sple considered the most comic of that oll gentleman's impersonations, the critic of the Philadelphia Trace pronounces "simple bruinl," Miss Geraldine Ulmar is also taker to task by the same critic for her affectation A little Judicious criticism will not harm sev rat of the members of the Ideal troupe. Nothcrai of the members of the ideal troupe. Nothing is so fatal to an actor's or artist's usefulcess, however great their gentus, as unantmous praise. Many people regard criticism of
he ideals as simply vain presumption. I remember when they sang "Martha" here I
rectured to remark to a frend on the evident
greak in Marie Stone's voice. A lady who sat
met in front of us overheard me, and I can yet
lighterity see the smile of wood-natured conlistinctly see the smile of good-natured cor empt which spread over her self-complacent

Mr. H. H. Soule, one of the best critics and nost entertaining writers on dramatic subjects who has ever contributed to the press of Washington, left hore on Thursday night for New York. Mr. soule was for several years connected with the daily and weekly press of the latter city, and returns there now to take a position on Francis Worky. He possesses hat last excellence of the critic—the art of ir-retrievably damning a play or a performance in a pleasant and graceful manner without in a picasant and graceful manner without making author or actor feel that he is hurt He has a wide acquaintance among theatrical people, and is a general favorite.

Little Ida Mulle, who was here recently with the "Bottle of Ink" troupe and afterward joined Bob Downing's "Tally Ho" company, was married to Mr. Tuthill, business manager of the latter organization, in Philadelphia has Saturday evening. The marriage took place on "the spur of the moment," although the couple had been engaged some time. Since then both Mr. Tuthill and his charming little wife have severed their connection with the "Tally Ho" company, and are now off on a bridal tour. The part which Mass Mulle took in "Tally Ho" was specially written in for her, and she is said to have made a success of it.

The announcement by the Boston Transcrip that Edwin Booth contemplates retiring from the stage at the close of next season will be re-ceived with widespread and genuine regret. On what authority the statement is made is not known, but the Transcript's reputation as a careful newspaper gives good ground to tear that it is true. Edwin Blooth is one of the few living actors who are entirely great, and his de-

By the way, what has become of the movement to induce Mr. Booth to reconsider his de-termination never to visit Washington again 7 it was thought that, as the bloody trench be-tween north and south had at last been completely scaled by the election of Cleveland, he light forget the unhappy connection of his tamily with the most tragic event in the great struggle and once more appear in the national capital. With this hope as a basis of action, a movement was begun some time ago to en-deavor to induce Mr. Booth to come here this eason. The plan was to obtain the signa-tures of distinguished government officials, adges, generals, senators, and representaives, asking Mr. Booth to appear in Washington, and, without giving him any inkling of it in advance, send a delegation to present it to him. How far this project was carried out I do not know. Nothing has been heard of it n some weeks MAX ESSE.

## A MILITARY BALL.

the Washington Light Infantry. The non-commissioned officers of the Washington Light Infantry Corps entertained about 300 ladies and gentlemen by a complimentary military ball last night. Their magnificent ball although the magnificent hall, although without al decoration, presented a handsome rance, the elaborate dresses of the ladies, and brilliant uniforms of the militia forming an attractive scene. There were sixteen well selected dances on the eard and the arrangements, which were Sergt. Maj. Ourand, were perfectly carried out.
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Mrs. D. A. Johnson, Mrs. John Talbert, Wm. E. Thompson, Rob. Burnside, John Burnside, Mrs. Forter and daughter, of Philadelphia, Ps. Misses Burnside, Miss Turner, Miss Gregory, Mrs. John Wunderliek, of New York; Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Upperman, Mrs. Boudinoi, Mrs. Charles R. Larner, Miss Mamie Cooper, of Frenton, N. J. Capt. Harrie R. Lennison, of New York; Mrs. Scharles N. Larner, Miss Mamie Cooper, of Frenton, N. J. Capt. Harrie R. Lennison, of New York; Miss Scott, Mr. Arthur Welland, of Cleveland, Othic: Thomss J. Jones, of New York; Miss Alice Woolridge, Miss Alice Taylor, Miss Alice Woolridge, Miss Alice Taylor, Miss Miss Mentals, Mrs. Wilson T. Bohannan, of Brooklyn; Miss Stella Bohannan, Mrs. E. L. Gwalnner, of Brooklyn; Mrs. Ida Wooldridge, of New Orleans; Mr. John R. Galloway, Miss Fannis Stopper, of Estimore: Mr. Robt. Weem, of Fottsville, Pa. Mr. O. V. Shomo, Mrs. end Mrs. J. G. Moore, Mr. D. B. Ainger, M. M. Parker, Misses Annie and Ada Mallouy, Helen Battle, Mr. Buyal, Mr. and Mrs. Samiel Rich, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Samiel Rich, Mr. and Mrs. Florenice Malloney, Miss Fresh, Miss Chandlee, Miss Ideliu, Miss Rose Snydor, Mr. And Mrs. Miss Chandlee, Miss Ideliu, Miss Rose Snydor, Mr. And Mrs. Johns, Mr. Keatly, of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Demulston of Wills-Harre, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Hurdle, Miss Hurdle, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miss Hurdle, Mrs. J. A. Milburn and Gaughter, G. F. Meavoy and wife; the Misses Winata, of New York; F. Hutchinson, of Trenton, N. J.; J. Commun, of Carlisle, Pa.; D. S. Johnson and wife, J. Falbert and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlistmann and Islaics, Miss Kate Weiser, of Fennsylvania, Mr. And Mrs. N. P. Hackney.

A Presentation to Hon, J. W. Keifer, Mrs. A. Maller, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Hackney.

A Presentation to Hon. J. W. Keifer. William A. Field, of Toxas, and three or William A. Field, of rorss, and tarce or four others composing a committee rep-resenting the officers and employes of the house of representatives, yesterday even-ing presented Hot. J. Warren Keifer with a handsome gold watch and chain as a testimonial to their appreciation of the generous interest always manifested by Mr. Keifer in behalf of the employes of the lause. The presentation was made of the house. The presentation was made Mr. Brown, and was happily responded

The Wagner Society's Concert, The Richard Wagner Society gave its cond concert at the Universalist Church last night. The participants were Messra, Gloetzner, Bernays, Weiler, Beckel, Lent Kaspar, Rernays, Weiler, Beckel, Lent, Kaspar, Szemeienyi, Hoffman, Fischer, and Knorr and Miss Homer. Examples from Brahms, Beathoven, Raff, and Wag-ner were rendered with the society's well-known excellence, and the per-formace was well appreciated by a large audience.

The Bischoff Concert. Congregational Church was crowded to

the doors last night, the Bischoff concert proving a most successful one. The programme included numbers by some of the best known talent in the city, and all were has pily rendered. ABOUT PEOPLE,

COMMANDER C. F. GOODBICH has remove

rom his quarters at the navy yard to lells wenty-first street in view of his coming de-Mg. C. D. Taylor, a prominent loweler of Mankato, Minn., and family, are visiting their brother-trolaw, Mr. Henry D. Gregg, of the war department, and purpose remaining until the 19th Instant.

WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

Interesting Gossip as to the Move-ments of Persons Prominent in Socint Circles. tributsons for the social column will be received up to Eriday afternoon of each week.)

It is not yet announced when Miss Cleveland will begin her formal receptions, but it is understood that she will be at home to her friends this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. As this is not to be in the nature of a public entertainment, the President of course will not be

present.
As a parting entertainment the President and Mrs. McElroy gave a handsome lunch at the white house on Wednesday afternoon to the incoming family. The table was most exquisitely decorated, and it was served as a party supper, the ladies seated about the room, and their escorts waiting on them. About seventy-five took part, and the incoming and outgoing circles met happily on this first occasion.

On Wednesday evening there was On Wednesday evening there was quite a dinner party at Secretary Fre-linghuysen's, with President Arthur. Judge and Mrs. Davis, Mr. Charles Mil-ler, Gen. Sharpe, Secretary Chandler, Mr. Winthrop Gray, and Mrs. Freling-huysen's nephews, Mr. Haven and Mr. Griswold, of New York, added to the

Griswold, of New York, added to the regular family group.

Mrs. McEroy, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Field since Wednesday, will leave for Albany this morning, and the many sincere expressions of regret at losing her have proven to her something of the esteem and kindly feeling in which she has been held here. Every one is sorry to part with her, and there is the greatest regret that she cannot make another winter visit next year.

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Marshal and Mrs. McMichael gave a very handsome dinner party to Mrs. Mc-Elroy on Thursday evening.

Judge and Mrs. John Davis gave a pleasant dinner party to President Arthur last evening, at which his intimate personal friends were present.

personal friends were present.
Miss May McEiroy is visiting Mrs. Mc Miss May McErroy is visiting Mrs. ac-Allister Laughton and her daughter, Miss Camille Berghmanns this week. Miss Berghmanns has been in poor health all winter, and has but lately returned from Philadelphia, where she has been undergoing a course of treatment. She was able to ride out for a little while on

was able to ride out for a little waite of Tuesday afternoon.

Gen. McClellan and his family have been staying at Wormley's this week.

The Russian miniater and Mme. de Struve and Senator and Mrs. Hale are among those soon to give dinner parties in honor of Fresident Arthur. While in honor of President Arthur. While living in the white house he could not visit at the legations, and the foreigners, who are such admirers of "co cher M. Arthur," and who wept at taking leave of him on Tuesday afterneon, are now giving him the handsomest dinners.

Representative and Mrs. Steele left for Indiana on Weilseglay synthes.

Indians on Wednesday evening.

Sonator and Mrs. Conger have had with them for the past fortnight Mrs. Conger's mother, Mrs. Humphreys, of Warren, Ohio. Mrs. Humphreys is very fine looking, with gray hair, and in apprayance would soour be taken for a sispearance would sooner be taken for a sis ter than the mother of Mrs. Conger.

that it is true. Edwin Booth is one of the few living actors who are entirely great, and his departure from the boards will close an epoch in the history of the American stage.

By the way, what has become of the move house on Monday afternoon playing some sweet Irish melodies with a plano accom-

paniment by Mrs. Ferriss.

Mrs. Frederick Jones, of New York,
was the guest of Gen, and Mrs Reale this
week and attended the great ball with

week and attended the great ball with Mr. Truxton Beale.

The name of the new postmaster general is pronounced as if it were spelled Vielass, and the French twists that have been given it here have been very amusing. Cel, and Mrs. Vilas have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Le. Leiter this week, and it was quite noteworthy that the first social entertainment in honor of the victorious party should have been the the victorious party should have been the tea for Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Vilas, given tea for Mrs. tyler and alrs. Vilas, gwen at the Blaine mansion on Tuesday after-moon by Mrs. Leiter. Col. and Mrs. Vilas have been hurried home by a telegram announcing the illness of his only sister, Miss Etta Vilas. They will probably not establish themselves in a house here be-fore part fall.

establish themselves in a noise new or-fore next fall.

Senator McPhorson invited a large com-pany of gentlemen to his beautiful resi-dence on Vermont avenue on Thursday evening to meet Gov. Abbett, of New Jersey, and a number of the distinguished isitors from that state in the city at that

time.

Ex-Representative and now Representative-elect Caswell, of Wisconsin, has been in the city this week, and with his wife was the guest of Mr. A. T. Longley,

on Capitol Hill.

Miss Phoebs Couzens, of St. Louis, is in the city this week, visiting Mrs. Gordon Stewart, of Capitol hill. Miss Couzens attended the ball, and was righly

dessed on that occasion.

Representative and Mrs. Dorsheimer were obliged to vacate their spacious quarters in the Arlington annex for the Democratic Phalanx, and were accommodated in the hotel building until their departure yesterday.

Representative Slocom's family will

break up housekeeping here and move their effects to Brooklyn in a formight. Representative Spring's family will remain here until May, and, as they have taken their house on a three years lesse, they will be among those returning early

next full. Mrs. Bradley Martin, of New York, brought a large party down here this week to attend the coremonies and festivities of the inauguration. She took a house for the week, and brought with her her household staff, just as the Eng-Bradley Martin, of New York, lish do when they take a country house for the Derby day. Her party included the celebrated Lord Garmoyle, of Fortescue breach-of-promise fame; Mr. Frank Griswold, Mr. Harry San s. and Miss Book with.

Miss Beckwith.

Mrs. Don Cameron had a stream of visitors all of Thursday afternoon, and taxed the powers of herself and hersister, Mrs. Miles, and Miss Sherman, to entertain the hosts of Pennsylvanians who called. Senator Cameron gave a dinner to President Arthur the same evening, which was one of the handsomest affairs of the week, and members of the Farmers' Club of Philadelphia were also his guests that night.

guests that night.
Liout. Richardson Clover, who has successfully taken the new coast survey steamer, the Carlille Patterson, around to California by way of the straits of Ma-gellan, was given a dinner at the Mare island navy yard last week by the com-

Mrs. Geo. C. Hazelton has ber mother,

mandant.

Mrs. Geo. C. Hagolton has ber mother, Mrs. Van Antwerp, visiting her at present. On Wednesday Mrs. Hazelton gave a lanch party to twenty-five friends, who afterward viewed the procession as it marched through the Capital grounds in frent of her residence.

Gon. and Mrs. Beale leave for New York on Monday to visit Gen. and Mrs. Grant for a few days. In his illness Gen. Grant longs for a sight of his old friends, and has sent messages for Gen. and Mrs. Beale to come to him, since there is no longer a possibility of his ever being able to carry out his plan of visiting them here. Mr. and Mrs. John McLean, ir., who have been here for the past ten days, will leave for New York at the same time, and go then to Cheinnati.

Ex-Representative Badd and wife, of California, will leave in a few days for the north, and after a round of family visits start for their western home.

Mrs. Legan did not receive on Thursday, but many friendly and admiring visitors made the pilgrimage to Iowa circle hoping to meet her. Even if the obstinate Illinois legislature fails to return Gen. Logan to the senate, it is certain that he will only be missed from Washington for two years at the most, as there are congressional districts waiting for him, and with a residence in Chicage

Washington for two years at the most, as there are congressional districts waiting for him, and with a residence in Chicago and a farm in the Egypt part of Illinois, he is claimed by both of those sections.

Senator Ingalis' wife reached the city last week, and was warmly welcomed at the white house on Saturday afternoon by the numbers of friends present at that last each and the large ton up stairs. During this wook she has been receiving many marks of respect from the viciting

Kansas people, for although they are mainly democrate, Mrs. Ingalis has a personal popularity at home that notes beyond the limits of Senator Ingalis'

political party.

Mrs. John McMullen, of San Francisco, Mrs. John McMullen, of San Francisco, is at the Ebbitt House with her two daughters, Miss Silo and Miss Bettie McMullen. Miss Silo McMullen is remembered here by her visit of last winter, when she was the guest of Mrs. John Mullan, of Connecticut avenue. The party have just come from the New Orleans Exposition, and will sail for Europe in a fertnight.

Miss Kate Field, who has spent the last few weeks in the city, leaves for Boston

few weeks in the city, leaves for Boston on Monday next, lecturing there on the following night. Miss Field promises to make Washington another visit next

make Washington another visit next winter.

Mr. Redfern and Mr. Hine have issued cards for a kettledrum to-day from 4 to 6 o'clock. The little cards are both tasteful and original—a pen and ink sketch of a teakettle and service in the left apper corner, and a spirited figure of an artist bending in work at his easel in the right upper corner. The two young painters have a charming studio on Nineteenth street and the avenue, and Mr. Redfern will receive and chaperon the guests.

The complimentary reception given at The complimentary reception given at Marini's Hall last evening, although a change had been made from Thursday to Friday evening, filled the spacious hall at an early hour with hundreds of guests, many of the dresses worn upon the occasion being very elaborate and costly, and amid the gay throng were noticed many well-known in the best circles of society

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A very enjoyable gorman was given by a number of young ladies in honor of their lady visitors from abroad last evening at Abner's Hall, the arrangements being in charge of the Missos Rickie, Gans, Hettic, Lindheimer, and Hennie Adler. The gorman was led by Mr. I. Gans and Miss Lindheimer, and Mr. J. Myers and Miss R. Gans.

Mrs. Pendleton's tea in honor of Mrs. McElroy yesterday afternoon was a brilliant affair, and the company the most distinguished that could be gathered in any one house. President Arthur has

distinguished that could be gathered in any one house. President Arthur has always paid pleasant social attentions to Senator Pendleton's family, and it was a pretty act of courtesy to return it at this time and in this way. It was a farewell for both the hostess and her guest of henor, and every eard brought a response.

Postmaster General Hatton will go west in a short time to look after his business interests, but Mrs. Hatton will remain here until June, her little son being in school and the lease of her house having some months yet to run.

Hog. Horatio Burchard, director of the mint, is a cousin of the Rey, Dr. Burchard,

mint, is a cousin of the Rev. Dr. Burchard,

mint, is a cousin of the Rev. Dr. Burchard, of the triple R.

Mrs. Cockrell had the largest reception of the day on Thursday afternoon, and all the counties of Missouri were represented in the numbers of visiting constituents who called on their senator's wife. Mrs. Cockrell was assisted by Mrs. W. H. Hatch and Mrs. Charles Morgan, of Missouri, As Mrs. Cockrell is the most popular of democratic senators' wives, this social ovation from her own state people was one of the pleasant incidents in this week of rejoicing for the party.

Party.
The Vicomtesse de Thurie, daughter of Gen. Harney, of St. Louis, died in Paris

Mrs. August Belmont came over from

Mrs. August Belmont came over from New York and spent the week with her son, Representative Belmont, at his house, on Rhode Island avenue and Seventeenth street.

Senator Stanford and his wife, of California, arrived in this city a few days ago, coming from San Francisce by way of New Orleans in their private car. They are accompanied by Mrs. Stanford's sister, Miss Islathrop, and the party has taken two floors in the Summer house annex of the Arlington Hotel for their stay during this extra session.

Miss Nigh, of Ohio, who spont some time with the daughters of Solicitor Neal, is now the guest of Senator and Mrs. Sherman.

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Senator Sawyer's family will remain here until May, when both of their daughters will accompany them to Oshkosh. Mrs. Howard White, who has been so very ill since the death of her little son, is gaining in health very slewly, and is able to sit up occasionally.

Col. and Mrs. Thomas R. Keogh, of North Carolina, are the guests of Col. and Mrs. Enoch Totten this week. Mrs. Totton has returned from Philadelphia greatly improved in health.

Mrs. Angell gave a tea on Thursday afternoon.

afternoon.
Representative Gunther's wife came from Wisconsin to attend the inaugural ceremonies and the ball, and returns to her home next week.

favorite amusements for these Lenten Miss Paul has returned from a visit to friends in St. Louis.

Ex-Representative and Mrs. T. C.

Pound have been at the Ebbitt for the

Misses Lena and Annie Lee, of St. Mary's county, Md., are visiting Misses Mamie and Julia Walton, the daughters of Dr. J. R. Walton, of 105 D street

north west. President Arthur invited and bought tickets for the party of sixteen that accompanied him to the ball on Wednesday evening. They were asked to meet him at Secretary Frelinghuysen's house at 9:30 o'clock, and the start was made from that point. It was a graceful courtesy to thus hone his successors fete, and republicans had every reason to be proud of their chief and the cabinet families surrounding him. Had the committee been a body of less size and with more head or geven one clear head, the reception of the two presidents and the members of the diplomatic corps need not have been such a conspicuous botch. President Arthur invited and bought not have been such a conspicuous botch.

Before the arrival of the distinguished guests the committee had a committee such as a committee when and in what manner the two presidents should be handled. Many of the eminent men be handled. Many of the eminent men on the committee stepped back and let the discussion proceed, and while the president's retiring room was crowded, packed tight with the committee men and their friends, Mr. Roessie, proprictor of the Arlington, stepped out, received the two presidents at the outer door and brought them in. President Cleveland departed from Jeffersentian simulicity by coming at 11 ferrentian simulicity by coming at 11 President Cleveland departed from se-fersonian simplicity by coming at 11 o'clock, and, when he entered, his private cleak room was so crowded that the la-dies of his party had scarcely elbow room enough to remove their wraps. Miss clos of his party had acarecy chow toom enough to remove their wraps. Miss Cleveland's first inquiry was for a looking glass, and the flustered committeemen rubbed their hands, and said that they "believed that there was a looking glass in some of the rooms, but they did not know just where." She was equal to the emergency, however, and smoothing her hair with her hands began her handhair with ner hands began in thands
shaking then and there. Putting their
President at the end of a cui de sac the
stream of hand shakers was turned upon
him, without waiting to get the two
Presidents side by side as custom has Presidents side by side as custom ha ordained. When the jam became intol ordained. When the lam became into-erable policemen flusily extricated the President, and he was taken around the ball room, but not arm in arm with his predecessor, as custom has also ordained by the observance of many imagurations. The members of the diplomatic corps can the members of the distinction accorded them by the committee. Seemingly our brothren have grown rusty in these twenty-four years, and the republicans will have to show them how the thing should be done in the year of

Confirmations. The senate in executive session yesterday on firmed the following nominations: Thomas F. Bayard, of Delaware, to be secre-try of gate.

Manning, of New York, to be seere tary of the treasury.
William C. Endloott, of Masanchusetts, to be secretary of war.
William C. Whitney, of New York, to be secctary of the navy. Lucius Q. C. Lamar, of Mississippi, to be see-Lucius Q. C. Lamar, of Mississappi, to be selarly of the interior.
William F. Vilsa, of Wisconsin, to be post-master general.
Augustus H. Garland, of Arkansas, to be

Prenies, princies, preclais, overthross of opiates free from fraud-Red star Cough Cluss.

THE UNION PACIFIC DEBT.

President Adams Presents a Plan for Using the Sinking Fund in Construction.

Mr. Hoar laid before the senate vester day a letter which he had received from the president of the Union Pacific railroad, which he asked might be printed for information. It was so ordered. Mr. Adams's letter discusses at great le ngth the bill of the sonate judiciary committee reported by Mr. Hear, regulating the future payments to be made by the Union Pacific Railway company, and is dated Feb. 9. He says the payments provided for in the first draft of the bill were so graded that the first year \$250,000, and the sixticth year \$2,500,000 would have been required, the order being then reversed, and finally the payments equalized so that \$1,800,000 per annum would be called for. The second plan would not be feasible in the present condition of any of the Pacific railroads. An annual payment of \$2,500,000 would so cripple the company that Mr. Adams would not be willing to assume any responsibility road, which he asked might be printed be willing to assume any responsibility for the result, though there is a fair and reasonable prospect that it could carry \$1,800,000, as provided in the last plan.

HE CRITICISES THE POLICY of the government. "There is not," he says, "one of those states and territories which is not to-day calling for railroad development which if it could be provided would not only afford whole communities sorely needed business facilities, but would add largely to the traffic and the income of this company.

"Every dollar of money, therefore, which is taken out of our business annually is so much which could be applied to

ally is so much which could be applied to the development of the country, not only to the great advantage of the Union Pathe development of the country, not only to the great advantage of the Union Pa-cific, but to the increase of the security of the government so far as the ultimate recovery of its debt is concerned. "Each request for these additional facil-

"Lacir requestor to the same will have to be met with the answer that the money which would have sufficed to supply it has been paid into the national treasury. THE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN

from us and the communities we serve just so much fructifying capital."

Mr. Adams proposes that the \$5,000,000 now held by the United States sinking fund be put into additional facilities, the 350 miles it would construct yielding ten times the income the 3 per cent. bonds do. The first mortgage securities representing the ownership of this additional mileage might be deposited in the treasury, and if at at the maturity of our loss the company was unable to raise the necessary pany was unable to raise the necessary

money to pay the government off, IT MUST TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES. Meantime the company will endeavor to live up to the rules imposed by congress If upon fair trial the burden exceeds the company's strength, the directors do not doubt that in the interest of all concerned congress will modify it. This, therefore, is the view which the directors now take of the senate judiciary bill in the shape which Mr. Adams understood it had finally assumed.

THE COMPANY IS WILLING THE COMPANY IS WILLING
to accept it, and to loyally live up to it
to the best of its ability. "Meanwhile."
he adds, "it is not responsible for it, and
if, as I hope will not be the case, the burden shall be found to exceed its strength,
it will be simply for congress to say
whether it proposes to take the property
or to modify the act."

The virtual control by Mr. Gould of the
Uaion Pacific is denounced most emphatically. "In the conduct of its affairs," Mr.
Adams adds, "Mr. Gould has been consulted, as other directors have been consulted,

NEITHER MORE NOR LESS. Generally his views and my own have coincided. Where they have not coincided he has invariably acquiesced in my conclusions, properly taking the ground that, as the responsibility for results resided on me, it was for me to finally decide what course should be pursued."

THE BACKBONE LAND PATENTS. A Lively Debate Between Senators Van Wyck

and Teller Expected Monday.

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After the reading of the journal in the senate yesterday Mr. Van Wyck was recognized, and offered the following resolution, for which he asked immediate consideration:

"Resolved That the secretary of the interior be directed to inform the senate whether patents have been issued for the lands granted in 1871 to the New Orleans, flaton Rouge, and Vicksburg, popularly known as the Backbone railroad: if so, for what mumber of acress to what corporation or individuals, whose recept was taken for the same, when signed, whother unusual means were used to haston the preparation and execution of said patents, whother the clerical force employed.

WORKED NIGHTS AND BUNDA so they might be completed before March 4, what day they were ready for signature of the Presideut, what the necessity for any special exertion to secure the completion and signature before the 4th duy of March, and whether ture peters the 4th day of March, and whether anything was done to protect the actual settlers in their rights to any such lands.

"Also, whether previous to the 4th day of March anything was done or written in regard to any other of the unsarraid land grants, the forfeiture of which had been considered by the forty-eighth congress."

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MR. EDMUNISS OBJECTED to present consideration, and under the rules the matter went over for a day.

At 12:16, upon motion of Mr. Edmunds, the senate went into executive session. At 12:46, the doors were reopened, and the senate adjourned until Monday.

for when Senator Van Wyck's "backbone" resolution is reached for discussion and action. Senator Teller feels that an attack has been made upon the integrity of his own official action as a member of the last administration, and has declared his intention of making such a defense as will leave no doubt of the propriety of the act in question or of his indignation. Senator Van Wyck, who is among the foremost of the anti-monopolists in congress, and who has omitted no effort to defeat the consummation of what he holds to be great wrongs in connection with certain railroad land grants is firmly convinced that the public interests domand an explanation of issuance of patents to the "Backbone" Company. The subject will probably come up on Monday. A LIVELY DEBATE IS LOOKED

INCOMPARABLE, indispensable, infallible-cures koughs kompletely—best broughiti sanisher—lied Star Cough Cure. HOME AT LAST.

GENERAL U. S. GRANT, U. S. A. Turn out the guard! and let the hero pass, Although he wears new epaulets to-day; The fell Destroyer, with his scythe and glass, Can never take their memories away. Turn out the quard! with arms presented well: He comes once more within our hearts to

Within our hearts as in a sacred shrine, Wherein our love shall hold him firm and

The "silent man" who comes to us last.

Loud let the drums beat; hid the camp fires glow As in the armies of the long ago! We only know him as we knew him then,

In olden times, at Vicksburg and the rest, lecause he stood a tower of strength for men Who flew to arms from north and east and Because through sunny noon or starlight dim, With simple faith, we loved and followed him Ah! was it well, Columbia, kindly done, To take our hero for a little space, To set him 'noath your glory's bludding aun, The mighty ruler of a mighty race, Then send him forth into the wintry air

To step unnoticed down your palace stair ! Unnoticed, aye, you flung the palace gate Wide open with the pomp of war anew, Then stripped from him the glory and the

To fling him forth, an empty, worn-out shoe. Vain pomp and pride, he knows you, what you are, Frail as the wreaths that rise from his cigar !

We loaned him then, we take him back once more; With love that grows with griefs he has to bear We lift the load that those broad shoulders

bore; He has no griefs we are not giad to share; Turn out the guard! With mulstened eyes and We call him home to love and cherish him! WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4, 1884.

ODDS AND ENDS

POOR UNCLE JOE.
(Dedicated to Hen. Joseph E. McDaneld.)
Well, I could have served the nation

With colat in any station,
Nut into dark oblivion I've been flung.
Yet I thought I heard him calling,
But it must have been the bawling
Of my pet bozuggagoo, who's lost her

I'll eschew decettful politic And try to grin, while Folly kicks Her heels and makes a face at Uncle Joe.
I'll sit beside the Walbash,
Where it weds the Numsequagesh.
And watch the cippling river's rhythmic

In the wilds of Posey County

I'll subsisi on nature's bounty.

And the hoop-pole's flesh shall be my
daily food.

Yes, I'll hunt the wolf and bear; Dofy the paw-paw in his lair: Chase the wild, feroclous pumpkin thro

the wood.

With the raccoon's fragrant blossom,

And the bud of the opossum.

I will deck my lonely hower in the grove; And as my evening pipe I smoke,
I'll listen to the articooke
A warbling to his mate his tale of love.

A WESTERN paper, somewhat mixed up in its spelling, announces that "Mr. Hell has been appointed postmaster at Minnesota Lake," Still, as this sort of thing may be ex-pected to begin about now, it doesn't so much

FIVE of the twenty-one presidents of the United States were of the Scotch-Irish lineage—Jackson, Polk, Buchsnan, Johnson, and Arthur; two of Scotch—Grant and Hayes; one of Weish—Jefferson, and one of Dutch— Van Buren. The remaining tweive were of

Euglish descent. In some of the rural churches of Holland it is quite customary to smoke during the service. Sometimes the officiating clergyman indulges in a smoke while the hymn is being sung, but this is regarded as a dangerous in novation, and the ministers who are guilty of it are looked upon with suspicion

THE oldest tree on earth, so far as any one knows, is said to be the "Bo" tree in the sacred city of Amarapoora, Burman. It was planted in 288 B. C., and is accordingly 2.171 years old. Its great age is, according to Sir James Emerson Tennett, proved by historic documents. It is regarded as sacred.

THE lowest round of the ladder of olitical organization is occupied by the Swiss half-canton Nidwalden. It has no bankruptey law, no written law of mortgages, no property law, no oriminal code, and no regular law of criminal procedure. The administration is omnipotent, and does as it likes.

A HARTFORD man, now aged 80 years, who has been an inveterate smoker for sixty seven years, has kept close account of the cost, and places the amount at \$200,000, which he might have now had to his credit had he Invested every six months and placed at compound interest the sums he expended in

A CITIZEN of East Bridgewater, Mass. boasts of having eaten but one meal a day, and that as near midday as possible, for the past twenty years. He is said to be in good condition, and works with no more than or-dinary bodily fatigue and wear. He some-times cats fruit during the day, but it is not an article of food taken with any regularity.

A MAN called on a druggist for something to cure headache. The prescription clerk promptly clapped the ammonia bottle to his nose and nearly stilled him. On recover-ing his forces he made a wicked punch at the clerk's head. "Hold on," remarked that indi-vidual, "wasn't I quick about it, and didn't cure your neadache" "Headache be hanged," exclaimed the man, "it's my wife's got the headache.

A CERTAIN Rabbinovicz, originally Jewish lawyer of St. Petersburg, and a pro-moter of Jewish emigration to Palestine, has started a new movement in Russia for the con-version of his coreligionists to a modified form of Christianity. The Russian government views this formation of Jowish-Christian communities with pleasure, and the celebrated Hebraic scholar, Delitzsch, has also pro

meed in its favor. LIEUT. COL. PHILIP EYRE, who lost his life in the battle of Dulks, was once a clerk in the Dublin postoffice. He was careless in his work, and one day the head of the departhis work, and one day the head of the depart-ment angrily told him be never would carn his sait as a clerk. "What shall I do, then?" asked Eyre. "Better go and enlist. You'd make a good target." Next day Eyre did not put in an appearance, but late on the second came strolling in leisurely. "Well, sir." de-manded the enraged chief, "explain why you were absent without leave vestorday." "Oh. rere absent without leave yesterday. I took your advice and enlisted. Thought I'd.

just call in and bid you all good-bye !" A SHIP recently arrived in Boston from Suenos Ayres bringing 51,369 bides, wort \$125,000, from which cargo when tanned it wi be possible to manufacture \$1,000,000 worth of bes. Most of these shoes go west to pay for the corn and wheat shipped to Liverpool, which pays for the dry goods and manufactured fron that goes to Buenos Ayres, and there pays for the hides. So it it will be seen that, although in a roundabout way, the hides are in the end paid for by the export of American cereals. American shoe manufacturers have carried the trade to so great perfection that they find no difficulty in competing with England, France, and Germany, and efforts are now making to introduce American shoes into Egypt, Cuba, and the South American

countrie In the greater number of railway stations in England there is a small box on legs, painted crimson, which may be called an automatic postoffice. It is divided in two compartments. On the top are aperture admitting a penny, one being for postal card and the other for envelopes. You drop a penny through the slot and open a little drawer beneath, and, presto, you find a postal card. Drop two pennies in the right hand slot, open a corresponding drawer, and you find a stamped envelope containing a dainty sheet of note paper. These little conveniences are the property of a private company. The profit is very small, and only on the euvelope and sheet of note paper. You can't got the est of it by dropping in a bad penny, as if not full weight it refuses to deliver, and keeps your short coin, confiscating that as a punish-ment for your attempt to cheat. It has a golden rule that works only one way.

THE pitcher plant, found on the island of Bornes, has long, narrow leaves, each of which has a thick win running down the middle to the end, where it forms a cord, to which is fastened a kind of a jug, with iid and all complete; round the top is a thick rim, stiff like a wire, which keeps the soft sides of the jug in their place. The upper part of the pitcher is shaped like a funnel, which runs down to a bowl below. When flies and ants sattle upon the edge and begin sipping the honey hidden there, they slip down into the pitcher, which has some water at the bottom. The narrow funnel or the stiff hooks prevent their escape, and they fall into the water. As soon as a fly goes in, the water begins to flow from the sides of the pitcher and dissolves the body, forming a kind of soup, which feeds the plants. Sometimes these pitchers are so larg that muali birds go in to drink and the hooks

keep them in, so they die there. THE sharks which abound on the cast coast of Madagascar and make such extens depredations upon the cattle in course of ship ment, are occasionally captured by the people The young men sometimes go on a shark-hunt-ing expedition. Having discovered a shark they dive under it, and before it has time to rurn upon its back use the long sharp knife they carry. It is affirmed among the Malagasy that some of their people can go into the water on discovering a shark and with nothing in hand that a piece of stick about a foot in length, armed with an iron point at each end, can ac complish its destruction. Watching till one of the monsters, with its two or three rows of teeth, is just about to attack him with its wide extended jaws, the native with his iron-pointed stick seizes his opportunity and inserts is arm into the mouth of the creature and randities its jaws by implanting the stick grosswise in its mouth. The more the shark tries by snapping to disengage the weapon the re doenly it enters, and its painful fury it

aceks the bottom. But it falls to obtain relief and at last dies. Its body is washed ashore and the inhabitants divide its carcass for food.